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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2001, Applicants respectfully enclose the required documents necessary before this reissue application can be allowed, as requested by the Examiner. Specifically, Applicants submit the original patent (in compliance with 37 CFR 1.178), written Consent of the Assignee (in compliance with 37 CFR 1.172), and a Statement Under 37 CFR 3.373(b).

A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees. A duplicate copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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